assistance in high technology areas from foreign sources is envisaged to achieve the desired objective. A final decision has, however, not been taken in this regard.

Extension of road from Khori-Wali to Nandansar in J&K

2545. MIRZA ABDUL RASHID: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a 10 km. road from Darhal bus-stand to Khori-wali, important to block militants, has been constructed by the Army in Rajouri District of Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to extend this road by 15 km. from Khori-wali to Nandansar thus making the area safe from militants and providing access to many meadows and likes for the benefit of the people and tourists; and

(c) if so, the steps being proposed by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Complaints regarding separation of widows of soldiers from their in-laws after taking deceased benefits

†2546. SHRI DEVI PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any complaints where widows of the soldiers killed in 'Operation Vijay' in Kargil and widows of the soldiers killed in other Army operations, settle down with some other persons by separating themselves from their in-laws families after taking the benefits available to them;

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† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.